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# February 22, 2015

Sunday Morning Worship	
Announcements	(668-2918) Jeff Flatt
Lead Singing	Jeff McVey
First Prayer	Danny Duncan
Reading	Caleb Hughes
Scripture	IChronicles 10:13
Lord's Table (N)	*Norman Sain
(S)	*Rodney Reynolds
(N)	Darron Dixon
(N)	Tyler Rutledge

(S) .....Farris Young
(S) .....lason Vandagriff

.....Eugene Wilcher

Sermon ......Tony Lawrence

Dismiss.....Larry Flatt

.Keith Chilcutt

## Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-2918) Jeff Flatt
Lead Singing	Jeff McVey
First Prayer	Kane Maynard
Reading	Josh Templeton
Scripture	Exodus 20:7
Lord's Table	*Clent Kesey
	*David Keele
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Dale Bennett

# Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	W.C. Chilton
Lead Singing	Ethan Duncan
First Prayer	Paul Hurst
Reading	Aiden McVey
Invitation	Steve Hillis
Dismiss	Stanley Graves

## **Welcome Committee**

A.M	Doris Smith & Helen Morgan
P.M	Sarah Kell & Amy Prince

**Bus Driver:....**Ronnie Prince (934-4088)

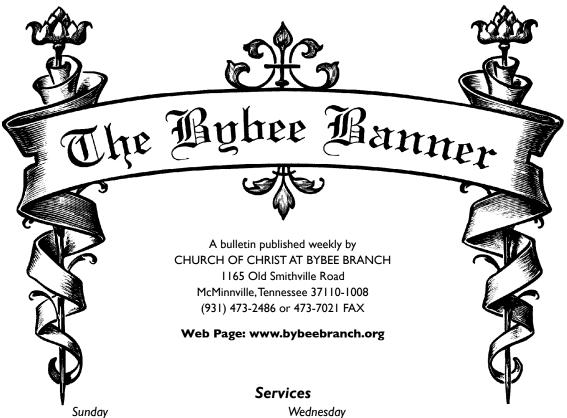
Ushers:Kurt Maynard & Tommy Crouch	
Attend Nursery:Denice Rhea	
Un/Lock Building: Gordon Mayfield & Bernie Gierucki	
Prepare Communion:David & Iona King	
Assist Baptisms: Elaine Hoover & Gail Crouch	
Pantry Item:Lima Beans	
Elder Closing Remarks:Stanley Graves	
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A.M. Worship	9:00 AM
Sible Study .	10:15 AM
P.M. Worship	6:00 PM

Bible Study

Monday (2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> of each month)
Monday Morning Bible Class 9:00 AM

## **Elders**

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## Deacons

Deacons	
Jamie Brock	Joe Collins
Jeff Flatt	Shannon Griffin
Allen Hughes	Rickey Hurst
David Keele	Ken Martin
Kurt Maynard	Gordon Mayfield
Jeff McVey	Bruce Pryor
Jim Slatton	-

7:00 PM

#### **Ministers**

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# Sick

#### At Home:

Melissa Brock
Melinda Martin
Brenda Davis
Glenda Faye Ferrell
Ken Martin (following surgery)
Whit Robertson (nephew of Tyler & Heather Boyd)
- to begin chemo for aggressive form of brain
cancer. 16 years old.

#### In The Hospital:

Essie Hillis - Erlanger North
Eddie Pack (elder at Arlington & uncle of Dale
Bennett - Vanderbilt
Preston Huckeby (cousin of Herb Rowland) Vanderbilt Stallworth Rehab
Phillip Roller - St. Thomas Midtown
Leonard Crouch - River Park Rehab
Winfrey Hennessee - returned to NHC
Leoma Hoover (mother of Ronnie Hoover) Vanderbilt following a fall.

# **Sermons for Sunday**

AM ......Sins of King Saul PM .....Ten Commandments Today #3

## **Thank You!**

I want to express my deepest thanks for the prayers, cards, food and words of encouragement I received this past week following my surgery. I especially want to thank the elders for their kind encouragement and understanding for my need to have some time off to recuperate. Also, I want to thank Ray Weddington, Steve Hillis and Tim Fisher for covering my duties preaching and teaching last week.

While I will be limited for a few weeks in what I can do physically, I plan on being in the office each day (maybe just not as many hours as usual). Brother Ray Weddington said it best on Sunday evening, "the difference between major and minor surgery is if it happens to you its minor surgery, if it happens to me it major." You are loved and appreciated!

## **Youth News**

Well, the "better-safe-than-sorry" approach to our "Lock-In" was still the right call, BUT... Anyway, for the shortened version I couldn't have asked for a better time and turnout. Thanks to the youth for sticking with us. Also a big shout-out to Jeff & Dachelle for opening their home and providing food and a perfect atmosphere. (BTW, we have a lot of great parents!) The devo was great (especially the singing) with plenty of activities to go around.

**TABS** takes place at Red Hill this Sunday. We will leave at 5:15. Our topic is "What Am I Doing Here?" Let's fill the bus!

The next **BIRTHDAY WEDNESDAY** is February 25<sup>th</sup>.

Parents, our topic of study this Sunday is 2 John.

The I5<sup>th</sup> Annual **SPRING YOUTH RETREAT** at Hy-Lake Christian Camp will take place the weekend of March 27<sup>th</sup>. Our theme is "HEAVEN is Real." Registration is now open, so get signed-up!

The destination is set for the 20<sup>th</sup> **PROM ALTERNATIVE TRIP**. We will visit the great city of Atlanta on April 23-26, 2015. Again, check the YBB for signing up and pertinent information.

#### **UPCOMING ACTIVITIES:**

Sat. 3/7 Bible Bowl Study Sun. 3/8 Bible Bowl Sun. 3/8 Pew Packers

After Sunday's lesson I have reconsidered the identification of Lucifer with Satan. While the Bible does portray Satan as one who is puffed up with pride (ITim. 3:6) and one who challenged God and Christ (Job I; Matt. 4), I have come to understand that Isaiah 14 is a reference to the King of Babylon and not Satan. I regret any confusion that this might have caused.

# Changing My Life Into The Likeness of Christ

"But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord." (2 Corinthians 3:18)

Christ was and I must be:

- Humble (Phil 2:3-11; James 4:6)
- Forgiving (Luke 23:24; Mark 11:25)
- Zealous (John 9:4; 2:17; Titus 2:14)
- Prayerful (Mark 1:35; 1 Thess 5:17)
- Compassionate (John 11:35; Romans 12:15)
- Unretaliatory (Mt 26:59ff; Rom. 12:17-21)
- Submissive (Luke 22:42; Matt 6:10)
- Serving (Matt 20:28; Matt 20:26-27)
- Passionate (Luke 19:41; Romans 9:1-3)
- Giving (Matt 20:28; Luke 6:38)

With Paul may we affirm, "So now also Christ shall be magnified in my body, whether it be by life, or by death. For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain" (Philippians 1:20,21). Then, we can sing, and really mean it, "I want to be more like Jesus."

~ Wendell Winkler ~

# Are We "Apologists?"

Merriam-Webster Online, defines the word, apology as being derived from the Greek word, *apologia* which means, "a speaking in defense."

This Greek word does not imply admission of guilt or regret, but a desire to make clear the grounds for some course, belief, or position, i.e. "his speech was an apologia for his foreign policy."

The apostle Paul used the above Greek word in Philippians 1:7,17 – KJV (as well as in I Corinthians 9:3; 2 Corinthians 7:11; 2 Timothy 4:16) when he made clear his "defence" of the gospel.

Thus the inspired apostle Paul was indeed an "apologist" in "defence" of the gospel of Christ, therefore, apologists are necessary and the study of "apologetics" ("a branch of theology devoted to the defense of the divine origin and authority of Christianity") is necessary as well.

Using Paul as our example (1 Corinthians 11:1; Philippians 3:17), we as Christians, should always be prepared to make a defense (answer – KJV), (or apologia), to anyone who asks us for a reason for the hope that is in us (1 Peter 3:15 – ESV).

~ Mike Riley ~

### Who Sowed the Seed?

Who sowed the seed? None could recall. But somewhere in the bygone years A toiler in the ground let fall A seed that in the soil took hold, And through long months of heat and cold, Increased and spread, till now appears An annual harvest of rich gold.

Who planted the tree? Nobody knew. But someone, sometime, set it out, And it through rain and sunshine grew, Although no eye was near to see, 'Til from the little tender sprout There came a sheltering giant tree And many a pilgrim breathed a prayer Of thanks for him who put it there.

Who sowed the Good Seed? Perhaps not now, But in eternity we'll know.
The Master then will tell us how
Some gentle soul, devoid of fame,
Proclaimed a truth in His Great Name,
Showed someone else the way to go.
And then another, seeing the light,
Turned from the way of doubt and wrong,
And followed the pathway of the right
And thus the good work moved along.
But only in Heaven will it be known
By whom the original seed was sown.

~ Steve ~